

MEETING MINUTES – NEWFIELDS CURBSIDE COLLECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CCAC)

DATE: Monday, August 10th

TIME: 6:30-7:30PM

PRESENT CCAC MEMBERS:

- Josh Lent
- Mary Belanger
- Warren Biggins
- Joe Diament
- Kenyon Schick
- Trish Cox
- Karen Nieman
- Jacqui Silvani

GUESTS:

- None

MINUTES:

- Quorum was recognized and the meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM by Josh Lent.
- CCAC Members vote to approve minutes from the July 27th meeting.
- Review action items from previous meeting and provide status updates:
 - Mary: Added high level points that could be included in a forthcoming town website into final report.
 - Kenyon: Added Lamprey River Cooperative summary into the working final report.
 - Josh: Added synopsis of current recycling/rubbish struggles (space constraints, odor, etc.) to executive summary section and metrics rating section to the final report.
 - Update about adding a committee member to backfill recent resignation.
 - Josh emailed select board but has not heard back. Jacqui identified a potential candidate.
 - Trish: Obtain rubbish tonnage difference between 2019 (with recycling) and 2020 (without recycling).
 - Warren: Was unable to speak with his Casellarep to discuss the percentage of collected materials that are recycled; but found that Casella has a 14% recycling contamination rate per their sustainability report. Recyclables go to Charlestown, MA. Warren will ask about tour of MRF.
 - Sue: Sue was not present, so we did not receive an update about her adding the PAYT information to the final report.
- Working Session:
 - Discussion of upcoming vacation coverage.

- Josh won't be present on 24th; Jacqui will run meeting.
 - Overall progress check-in with 10 meetings left before Final Report submission.
 - General consensus is that we're in a good place and ready to refine the information we've gathered into a cogent, useful document.
 - Discussion around working sessions (focus on one topic per meeting). Consider break-out sessions or collaborative work periods.
 - Support for the idea of discussion one topic per meeting.
 - PAYT and Waste-to-Energy options to be discussed in detail next week.
 - Review draft copy of Final Report and insert high level points for subsequent refinement (screenshare).
- Review of action items.
 - Warren will talk to Casella about a tour of the MRF and the contamination recycling rate.
 - Josh will ask Sue about PAYT info
 - Josh will send agenda info to Jacqui in prep for next meeting; Josh will reach out to NRRRA about PAYT system
 - Karen will reach out to market basket and shwa about PAYT bags.
- Review date and time for next meeting
 - Monday, Aug 24th at 6:30 PM
- Motion to adjourn
 - 7:30 PM

Note: If Newfields town residents would like an item added to a forthcoming agenda, please send a request via email to NewfieldsCCAC@gmail.com

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